



Marian Kendall

August 25, 1914 - January 27, 2008

Marian Lorraine Kendall, 93, of Topeka, passed away, Sunday, January 27, 2008. She was born August 25, 1914 in Auburn, KS the daughter of Emmett and Minnie Trout Riggins. Marian attended primary school in Admire then Kansas State Normal School in Emporia. She taught in a one- room school near Admire, and then at Peabody. She married Robert B. Kendall on August 4, 1940. After 20 years as a homemaker and mother of two children she renewed her teaching certificate at Pittsburg State and returned to teaching at Meriden Jr. High and High School, Boswell and Jardine Jr. High Schools in Topeka. She was a member of Susanna Wesley United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, PEO, Kansas Teacher's Association and the Daffodil Society. She was preceded in death by her brother Harlan Riggins. Her husband of 67 plus years, Rev. Robert B. Kendall, passed away on January 23, 2008. Survivors include a son, Brooke R. Kendall and wife Jeanie of Osage City; a daughter, Kathy L. Foster and husband Jim of Overbrook; granddaughters, Heather Grace and husband Donovan of Topeka, Melissa Herndon of Oklahoma, Sara Foster of Topeka, and Alicia Kendall of Grandview, TX; a grandson, Travis L. Kendall of Emporia; great grandchildren, Tyler Tillman and Bailey Grace of Topeka and Anthony Herndon of Oklahoma; and sister, Marguerite Shepherd and husband Donald, Coffeyville. Visitation will be from 1 to 2 p.m. Wed. Jan. 30, 2008 at Susanna Wesley UMC. Funeral service will immediately follow. Burial will be in Mission Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Helping Hands Humane Society, 2625

NW Rochester Rd., Topeka KS 66617.

Tribute Wall



“ *Marian Kendall*

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“ *How I loved Mrs. Kendall at Meriden Junior High School back in the late 60's! She was always so very kind to everyone and her students just loved her. She had the best smile, and she made learning fun. Even though she was a serious teacher, she had a great sense of humor and it bubbled up during classes. I am so lucky to have had her for a teacher--she was a bright spot in my life when I knew her. My heart goes out to her family--please accept my condolences on the loss of both of your parents.*

Lynne Alcock Burke - January 29, 2008 at 10:23 AM